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TO: CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP) PROGRAM
PROVIDERS

SUBJECT: CHDP PROVIDER ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE CHDP GATEWAY
PROGRAM

The 2002 Governor's Budget includes funding to implement a plan to use the CHDP Program as a "gateway" to maximize enrollment of uninsured children in Medi-Cal or Healthy Families.

The highlights of the CHDP Gateway Program are:

- pre-enrollment of children into full scope Medi-Cal at the time the child visits a CHDP provider's office. Children will be pre-enrolled for up to two months based on family size and income.
- CHDP providers will enroll children through the Internet or a Point of Service (POS) Device using a revised CHDP Eligibility Information form (DHS 4073).
- The application information will be submitted via the Internet or POS. The child will be assigned a Client Identification Number (CIN) which will be used for billing the CHDP health assessment.
- Children will be immediately eligible for full scope Medi-Cal including any necessary follow-up care for problems identified during the health assessment. These services will be billed through the fee-for-service Medi-Cal system.
- As part of the pre-enrollment, the system will print an immediate need confirmation of eligibility document that can be used by a Medi-Cal provider to confirm eligibility for subsequent treatment and/or pharmaceuticals for the child.



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- Parents or legal guardians may indicate on the DHS 4073 that they want to receive an application for continuing health care coverage for their child beyond the pre-enrollment period and are encouraged to complete a supplemental application that will be mailed to them.
- Children whose families complete and return the supplemental application form will continue to have eligibility for full scope Medi-Cal services until a final determination of eligibility is made by either the Medi-Cal or Healthy Families Program.

There is much work currently going on to implement the CHDP Gateway. Having Internet or POS access at your office is critical to a successful implementation. You may receive a call from a Department of Health Services representative in the near future to assess your ability to participate in an Internet-based enrollment process. We recognize that you may have many questions and concerns regarding the CHDP Gateway. We will make every effort to keep you informed of our progress on Gateway implementation.

The Department has appointed a Gateway Advisory Group of children's advocates, provider organizations, and local CHDP Programs that will provide feedback and identify issues as this new program is being implemented.

We look forward to working with you to provide quality, comprehensive health care to uninsured children. Your continued support of the CHDP Program is a critical element in the continuing effort to improve health care for children throughout California. Thank you for your continued participation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Maridee Gregory M.D.", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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